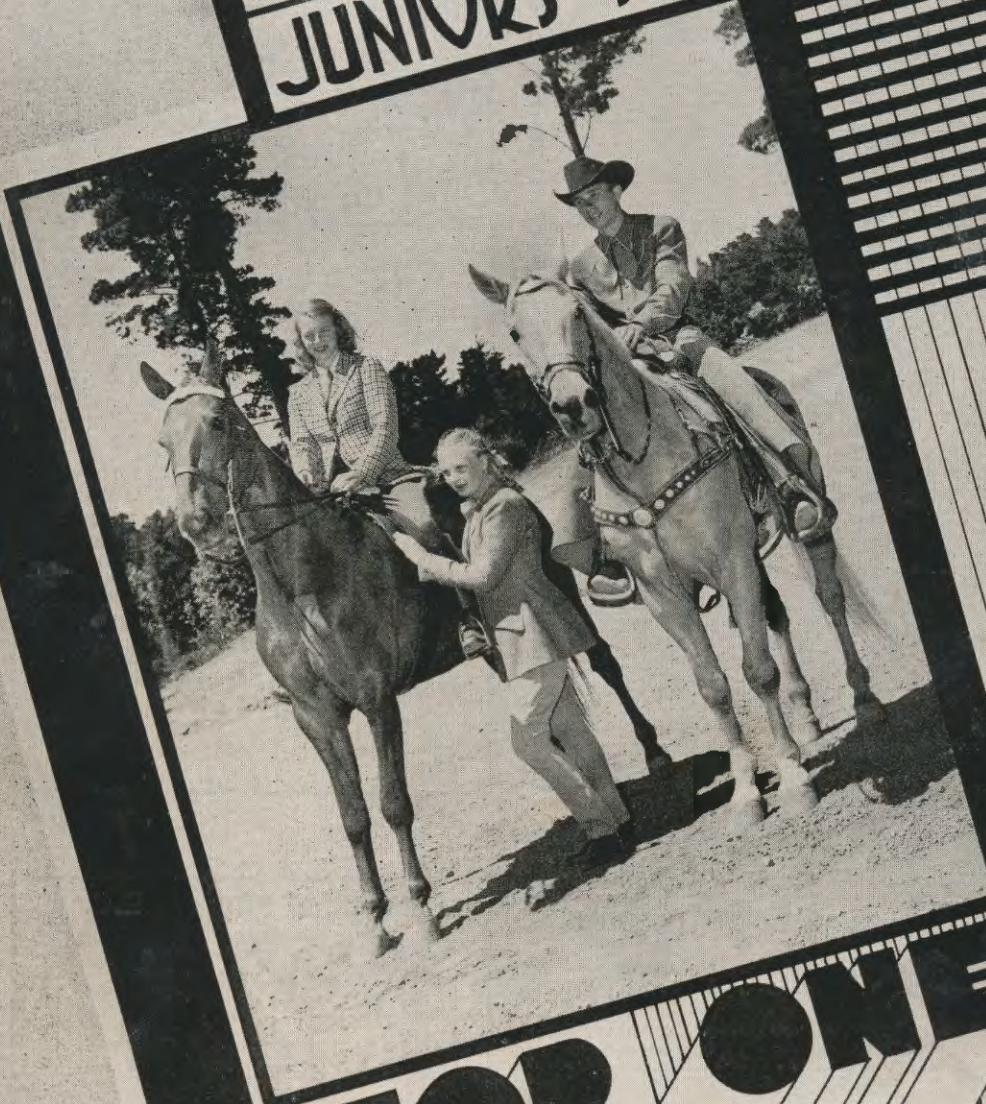




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Editorial

WON'T YOU LEND A HAND?

While this is the first year for the Metropolitan Juniors we feel that a great deal has been accomplished and we are proud of these young people.

But the time has come when they want to start doing things, and to be recognized in the community. They are now busy planning their first horse show, and all of you who took part in the senior show know what they are up against. I feel that there isn't a single senior who wouldn't come through if they were contacted but that would entail a lot of work, so through the medium of the Blazer I am appealing for your support and interest.

The actual work of the show will be taken care of by these kids, but they do need a little guidance. Come on out and offer even though it is just moral support. They are going to be our senior members of the future.

The first M. H. A. Junior horse show will be September 19 in Joaquin Miller park. I am hoping for a large turnout of senior members. You saw what these juniors did on the first day of our show. We can't let them down when they are striving for recognition.

CHRIS HANSEN,
Junior Activities Chairman.

M. H. A. COMING EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting — Thursday, September 2.

Region No. 5 Dinner Meeting—Wednesday, September 15.

(To be held at Fermenti's in Pittsburg. Contact secretary for reservations.)

First Annual Horse show of M. H. A. Juniors — September 19.

Trail Ride for M. H. A. Members — September 26.

Third Open Forum — Thursday, September 30 at 8 P.M.

(To be held at Woodminster Clubhouse.)

C. S. H. A. Convention — Santa Rosa October 14, 15, 16 and 17.

M. H. A. Annual Dinner and Dance — Friday, December 3.

(Place to be announced later.)

OUR COVER

Inasmuch as this issue is primarily devoted to the M. H. A. Juniors we thought it only fitting that the cover pictures should introduce you to members of the organization. They include Joey Cosca, president, and Pat Brandes, secretary-treasurer, on horseback, and Peggy Day, vice-president. Corrine Smith is chairman of activities.



Chris Hansen

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

Date: Thursday, September 2

Time: 8:00 P.M.

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SECRETARY'S MAIL BAG

Hello Everybody:

Here we go—and August and September are so packed with days of fun that there is no excuse, surely, for any M. H. A. member not having enough to do.

There are the San Rafael Fiesta Days, August 27, 28 and 29, with a parade on August 29; the Menlo Circus club show, August 28, which is the junior equitation show, and the Martinez Old Timers' Jubilee on August 27, 28 and 29, with the parade on August 29 at 1 P.M. This show features a big field day with competitive sports.

The eighth annual Concord-Mt. Diablo trail ride is on September 4, 5, and 6 for rugged horses and riders.

The Mounted Sheriff's Posse of Marin county is a three-day ride, September 4, 5 and 6 and the Fiesta Del Cerrito is on September 13 to 19 with a parade on Sunday, September 19.

Mounted Patrol of San Mateo county will hold its fall ride on September 3, 4, 5, and 6 and the San Mateo Country Horsemen's association competitive ride is scheduled for September 18 and 19. This is an eight hour ride on the first day, and four hours the second, to cover 60 miles. Division for heavy weight (190 pounds and over including equipment) and light weight (150 to 189 pounds) and Juniors under 16. Entries close September 13.

September 25 will mark the opening of Oakdale Clover Fair and Horse Show and Junior day, and the 26th will feature the parade at 12:30 and horse show at 1:30. Entries close September 17 at noon.

Mounted Patrol of San Mateo county will hold its play day in Woodside on October 23.

I have entry blanks for most of the shows so if your group has a good parade unit why not join the fun?

Don't forget the One-for-One club. Don't stop at just one new member but keep up the good work. The more the merrier.

California Horsemen's Association convention in Santa Rosa October 14, 15, 16 and

17. Save the date and join the gang.

Cheerio 'til next month,

MARY GALE, Secretary.

ONE-FOR-ONE CLUB GROWING RAPIDLY

Have you your One-for-One member?

That is the question being heard everywhere these days as members of the M.H.A. rush to wind up their membership drive before the Open Forum on September 30. At this time the two prizes offered by Mr. and Mrs. Dreyer will be presented to the man and woman obtaining the most memberships.

"In addition to the prizes every member of the association will win," declared Ted as he reported plans for a gala ride at the conclusion of the drive. Only members obtaining one or more memberships will be eligible for the activity," Ted warned as he tentatively scheduled the ride for October 3.

Among those recently qualified are Jane M. Lake, Betty Laboyteaux, Mary Richards, Jack Richards, Ray Theobald, Elsa Himmelman, Henry Mathews, Sidney V. Chown, Windy Smith, Jean Guilford, Susan Greenfield, Elsie Mesquita and Beryl Johnstone.

Leading the list in memberships procured are Ray Theobald, Elsa Himmelman, Richard Neves, Elsie Mesquita, Charles Logue, Lefty Bowers, Heber Brown, Mary Gale, Mae Murray, Willis Nuttall, Martin Murray, Gus Himmelman, Deanne Burton, Karen Anderson, Bill Patten, Don Marquis, Irma Fay Brown, Lucille Simons, Dorothea Wobbold, Beverly Cron, Sheila Derieg, Sandra Logue, Jean Guilford and Don Bjornson.

ALL-DAY TRAIL RIDE SET FOR SEPT. 26

Get out your calendars and put a big red circle around Sunday, September 26.

According to Art Palmer, activities chairman, this day will feature an all day ride to Tilden park and return for members of the Metropolitan Horsemen's association and their friends. The ride will get under way at 9 o'clock with the group scheduled to meet at the crossroads. Anyone wishing to meet the riders at the flag pole, near the Rangers ranch, is asked to be there at 10 o'clock.

"This will be an all-day trip," said Mr. Palmer. "However, anyone feeling that this ride is too great a distance may drive their cars out to the park for lunch. Mel Coe and his chuck wagon will be there and he has promised barbecued spareribs. The cost will be very nominal, those over 12 to pay \$1.55 and those under, 80 cents."

Final details of the ride and other information will reach members of the association by mail.

In addition to the all-day ride, Art also announced that plans are under way for a dance to be held in October.

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- Aug. 29—Merced Junior Eliminations
- Sept. 3/6—Woodside Ride
- Sept.—Marysville Endurance Ride
- Sept. 4/5—Sacramento Junior Eliminations
- Sept. 4—Bay Meadows Dance
- Sept. 4, 5, 6—Bay Meadows Rodeo
- Sept. 4, 5, 6—Fairfax Ride
- Sept. 4/6—Concord Trail Ride and Show
- Sept. 5/6—Rancho Santa Fe Horse Show
- Sept. 4, 5, 6—Grass Valley Ride
- Sept. 4, 5, 6—Marin Ride
- Sept. 5/6—Rancho Santa Fe Horse Show and Polo Matches
- Sept. 2/12—Sacramento State Fair and Horse Show
- Sept. 9/10—Anderson Fair and Horse Show
- Sept. 10, 11, 12—Placerville Fair and Horse Show
- Sept. 11 or 18—Aetna Springs Overnight Ride
- Sept. 13—Sacramento Meeting
- Sept. 13/19—San Jose Fair and Horse Show
- Sept. 16/17—Gridley Fair and Horse Show
- Sept. 18—San Jose Junior Eliminations
- Sept. 19—M. H. A. First Junior Horse Show
- Sept. 18/19—San Mateo County Ride
- Sept. 19—Fairfax Horse Day
- Sept. 26—Vallejo Horse Show
- Sept. 26—Oakdale Horse Show
- Sept. 26—Sacramento Junior Show
- Sept. 30/Oct. 3—Watsonville Fair and Horse Show
- Oct. 14/17—Santa Rosa Convention and Show
- Oct. 24—Los Angeles All Arabian Show
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INTRODUCING NEW JUNIORS

Adrienne Eggert, 11, rides at the Oakland Riding Academy. Adrienne rode in the May 30th horse show and won a fourth place in seat and hands class. She is a sixth grader at Havens School in Piedmont.

Jack Miller does things a little differently — he rides calves at the Pinto Ranch as well as horses.

Jacquelynne Pickler, 12, attends Willard School, in Berkeley, and rides at both Cressmount and Oakland Riding Academy. Jackie rides flat saddle and would like to raise horses. She likes to swim and sail on sailboats as well as ride.

Susan Greenfield, 9, attends Anna Head's in Berkeley. She rides at Cressmount and Oakland Riding Academy and likes to swim and sail.

Cotton Feliz, 16, attends Castlemont and keeps his horse, Flash, at the M & M Ranch. Cotton rides western. You'll remember Cotton opening Coke bottles and passing out sandwiches along with the concessions crew at the M. H. A. show.

Lynn Glickmann, 11, attends Havens and rides at Miss Graham's. Lynn wants to have her own ranch in the future.

Bernie Cummings, 14, attends Hamilton school and rides his own horse, Laddie, on the Oakland trails. Bernie is a baseball fan and also likes to swim.

Mark Hamilton, 13, attends Claremont Junior High. Mark stables his horse at Miss Graham's and aspires to be a lawyer.

Earline Fisher, 6 years, and **Dale Fisher**, 11, stable their horses, Brownie and Beauty, at the Shrine stables. Both have been riding since they were three and like to swim.

Betsy Selby, 12, attends Anna Head's and rides Western at Miss Graham's. Betsy swims and plays golf. Her family have horses in the country.

Jacqueline Myers, 11, owns her horse, K. O., which she keeps at home. She is learning to be a life guard and attends Acacalene High.

Bob Lawrence, 14, rides with friends and hopes to own a horse. Spends his vacations at Bret Harte where he does a lot of riding. Attends Claremont Junior High and is interested in wood and metal work.

Leland "Joe" Gale, 10, lives on a ranch near Woodland where he has his own horse, Don Denmark, a bay saddlebred-standard-bred gelding. Joe rides on a neighboring cattle ranch as well as his dad's place. Joe sails with his grandfather on San Francisco Bay, and went on the yacht races to the Farallones and Lightship which are outside the bay and usually rough sailing. Joe attends school near Winters and swims as well as he rides.

Todd Cary was another disappointed Junior last year but made up for it this time and showed his Dad's saddlebred mare, Jo Ann, in the Pleasure class at the Sunday Show and won 4th place. Todd lives in Ross where he attends school and rides the trails in Marin county.

First Annual Junior Horse Show

M. H. A. JUNIORS PLAN BUSY YEAR

With the opening of school and the return of many members who have been vacationing elsewhere, the M. H. A. Juniors are busy with plans for a full year of activity.

According to Joey Cosca, president, the group will hold regular meetings twice a month and will endeavor to make their organization one of the strongest junior groups in the state.

MEMBERSHIP PRIZE

Members are busy with plans to obtain new members and are vying for a prize, a mounted sea horse, donated by Ted Dreyer, president of the senior association. The sea horse was one that Mr. Dreyer brought back from Brazil, and will be presented to the junior member getting five or more new members. There will also be ribbons for other winners.

Attention of the juniors is now focused on their first annual horse show to be held September 19 at Joaquin Miller arena. A full program of events has been scheduled and there will be ribbons for the winners.

ASK COOPERATION

Officers of the association, in addition to the president, include Peggy Day, vice-president; Pat Brandes, secretary-treasurer, and Corrine Smith, activities chairman.

"We hope for more cooperation among our members," said Joey when outlining plans for the coming year. "We want each member, not only to be present at our meetings, but to make it his or her duty to bring another member."

SENIORS TO ASSIST

At a meeting of the membership committee members of the senior association pledged support to the Juniors for their show; offered the use of the ropes and the stakes that are part of the M. H. A. show equipment and agreed to help them with the details of the day.

September 19, 1948 will be an eventful day for it marks the first Metropolitan

Horsemen's association Junior horse show.

The show will be held in the arena in Joaquin Miller park, and will be under the direct supervision of the Juniors. Included in the day's program will be a varied group of events to include jumpers, equitation, English trail, strip saddle, Western trail, class under 12; Western trail, class over 12; Junior stock horses under 12; Junior stock horses over 12. There will also be games to be decided upon at a later date.

While all activities will be taken care of by the Junior members, any indirect or direct help from the seniors will be appreciated. Cash donations have been received from Sidney V. Chown, Don Marquis and George Walling and will greatly help in purchasing ribbons and for other incidental expense. Anyone interested in furthering this activity and in seeing the youngsters forge ahead is asked to contact Chris Hansen, Junior Activities chairman, at KELlog 2-9928.

Let's get behind these Juniors one hundred per cent. They are willing to do the work but a little financial and moral support from the senior members will go a long way toward furthering their activities.

PLANNING TREK TO SONOMA COUNTY

Anyone wishing to take part in a two-day ride to Sonoma county for the California State Horsemen's convention in October is urged to contact Fred Anderson at once. The group will join riders leaving from Stockton. Details for the trip will be completed at a meeting to be held locally in the near future.

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Subalterns

Five members of the Subalterns distinguished themselves at Four Winds Camp in Washington this summer by winning five of the seven awards given for horsemanship. There were 150 girls competing for honors and Subalterns are proud of their five members: Vandra and Wilda Rosendahl, Karen Anderson, Janet Scott and Jo Anne Schetter.

According to all reports from the girls they had a marvelous six weeks at camp learning how to feed and care for the horses. The campers arose at 6 in the morning, fed the horses, had breakfast, then, after cleaning up their cabins, bridled and saddled their mounts and rode for three hours. After lunch and a rest period they cleaned tack, polished harness and took another ride.

The test included a knowledge of the elements of caring for minor injuries, feeding, saddling, bridling, caring for tack and grooming.

PEGASSUS PATROL

Windy Smith, Jr. is the proud owner of a nice bay thoroughbred gelding called Brigade, now at Don Evans Stable in Concord where he is being trained for jumping. Windy expects to bring Brigade to Cressmount within the next few months. Windy was seen at the San Mateo Gymkhana Club show riding his old pet, Timberline.

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Shongehon

Shongehon officers met August 10 at Miss Cress' home to formulate plans for the fall semester. A trail ride September 10 followed by supper at Miss Cress' is the first event on the fall calendar. After supper a meeting will be held at which time the new officers will be elected. Friday, October 1, will be the initiation of new members starting with a sleeping bag party on the Upson Downs course garnished with initiation pranks. Breakfast will be served in the stable courtyard after which the rites will start in earnest. The pajama attired victims wear fish head lavaliers, receive a shampoo of rotten eggs, flour and honey.

During the month of December the members go in for community work for the underprivileged children.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

August Additions: This list includes memberships up to and including August 17th.

RENEWALS

Barbara Brown
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Lloyd Donaldson
Miss Graham
Barbara LaBarth
Henry Matthews
Ed Moose
Patricia Prosser
The Roundup
George Walling
Charles Wheeler
Stony Pierce

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Mildred Matthews
Virginia McChellam
Dona May Wright
Mrs. George Riis
P. J. Guillory
Beatrice Noble

JUNIORS

Elizabeth Evans
Patricia Anne Fitzgerald
Leland G. Gale
Noel Girard
Lynn Glickmann

Jack L. Miller
Jacqueline Pickler
Dolly Wheeler
Janet Emerson

The following were inadvertently listed as inactive members on the list which went to the active members. Please accept our apologies for this error.

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Mel Coe, owner of the La Fiesta, is an enthusiastic horseman and his aim is to put on feeds that delight the hungry rider. Perhaps you saw Mel's fancy mahogany chuck wagon in the parade!

Mildred Matthews, wife of Henry Matthews, is a tiny person but packed with lots of pep and good ideas for their riding stable.

Rose Allen Kraft rides with the Bridoons at Cressmount. Rose is a nutritionist doing graduate work at University of California. Hails from Central Oregon and, golly! Listen to this — she raises tropical fish, specializes in cheesecake and rides!

Egon J. Ferell, Bridooner from Cressmount, is an enthusiastic horseman and states that Mr. Van Den Berg really puts the group through its paces. Egon also is a gardener of no mean ability and hails from Vienna and Paris.

Katherine Choy, Bridooner from Cressmount is from Shanghai, China, and an art student at Mills. Following her graduation in two years she plans to return home. Her favorite horse is Noah.

Ethel M. Johnson, mother of Margaret Johnson, rides and gardens with vigor. She rides with the Bridoons and says Irish Bank is her favorite.

Hale Prebel, bacteriologist with Oakland Health Dept., rides with the Bridooneers under Mr. Van Den Berg. His ambition is to ride and jump Rum Punch.

Julie K. Laub likes Chinese food, Russian ballet and English saddles — a cosmopolite at heart. Julie rides with the Bridoons on Tuesday night.

Judy Benford knits Argyle socks, likes to swim and ride. Judy rides with the Bridoons and is a secretary.

Hazel Roberts has been riding with the Bridoons, has a pilot's license and is a traveller at heart. According to Hazel she rides to keep fit. She also goes in for pack trips in the Sierra.

Evelyn Maglathlin, another Bridoon, graduated from Mills in '47 and works at the Oakland Public Health Lab as bacteriologist. She started riding when 8 years old.

Margaret Wolff, California graduate, wants to learn to jump. She collects records and rides with the Bridoons.

Carol Davis hails from Sacramento Valley, but attended U. C. She rides with the Bridoons. Her second love is tennis.

Dona May Wright, niece of Denny Wright, rides from Pinto Ranch and wants to have her own horse very soon.

Goldie Lopes, owner of Padre seen in the M. H. A. show, hails from San Jose. Goldie is a familiar exhibitor at all of the shows. Nice to have you one of the gang, Goldie.

P. J. Guillory, who lives near Walnut Creek, is proprietor of the Claremont House and Window Cleaning company, and is the owner of several horses. At the present time he is preparing to train a five gaiter. Jack also owns May Day, ridden by Janet Emerson, a new junior, which placed in both Western and the bareback class in the Junior M. H. A. show.

George J. Lake recently joined M. H. A. — wonder if his wife, Jane, promoted him for her One-for-One Club member? George and Jane ride in all of the local shows and really give people a run for their money with Jim and Chappo.

Lewis and Jean Helms recently acquired the stable formerly operated by Don Evans on Mountain Blvd. Lewis has many plans for his establishment, so best of luck to two dandy persons. Also, thanks for taking good care of the out-of-towners who brought their horses up for the Show and were so graciously received at your stable.

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To the Editor:

We are sure all of the members of the Metropolitan Horsemen's association will want to join in extending sincere thanks to the members of Engine House No. 28.

These include Ted Mabry, Leslie Dunaway, Francis Newcomb, Emiel Uhlig, Ormond Smith and Robert Byrne.

This engine house is located at 10006 Sky Line boulevard and these men were most generous in their courtesies and in lending a helping hand during the recent Metropolitan show.

GUS HIMMELMAN, MARTIN MURRAY.

To the Editor:

For your information I am starting a hunters and jumpers club for the purpose of schooling our horses, and to give the benefit of experience to the riders which they do not have an opportunity to get in regular riding. We will meet the first and third Sundays of each month. There will be a cross country course, as well as the ring course and each rider will have the opportunity in turn to set up the course. Once a month will be set aside for the schooling of horses over high or low jumps, or any type that the owner may select. There will also be instructions in lunging green horses.

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To the Editor:

I think that the readers will get as big a kick out of the following letter as I did, for most of them are familiar with the names of the horses. It is being submitted without the permission of the writer, Dede Brandes of the Shongehons, but I thought it was clever enough to pass on.

MARY GALE,

Horse Creek, Trinity, California.

Peter Patch,
22 Fireglow Road,
Elko, Calif.

Dear Peter:

Meet me at the BIG ROCK near the ADOBE hut with the STONEWALL around it tomorrow. We'll be out late so bring your DUFFLE BAG. We'll also hunt some of "NOAH'S" animals so bring your STRONG BOW and arrow.

The INDIAN lodge is also here in the TRINITY mountains. The only thing I miss is the STEAMBOAT rides we used to take.

Just think! Tomorrow we will be out in the TIMBER, fishing off the HIGH BANKS (they call them the IRISH BANKS) of Lake KILLARNEY or from our KYACK.

The trip up from EL TORO was wonderful. My car on the train was the "FLYING DISC." It seems so good to get away from the campus and all of the COEDS. (It's especially quiet without Mr. GUNBURG.)

Oh well, I'll talk to you tomorrow.

See ya,
ALEX.

P. S.—I have some PORT and RUM (no BOURBON left). So come and we'll make merry! It will be a PANIC.

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LEONA RIDERS HOLD SECOND SHOW OF YEAR

Despite rather unpleasant weather an interested crowd of spectators was on hand for the second horse show of the season sponsored by the Leona Riders.

Held at Miss Graham's Riding stables, the show on August 8 had Peter Voorhies, of San Mateo, as the judge and Sylvia King in charge of general arrangements.

Getting under way at 10 A.M. the show opened with the Leona three phase for western riders with winners including (1) Leonard Landsborough riding Colty; (2) Rock 'N' Rye, Edgar Fowler; (3) Tarda, Beryl Johnston; (4) Burma Road, Sylvia King, and (5) Stormy, Tedda Beyler. The trophy was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Donaldson.

Western Pairs

Western pairs, with the trophy donated by the Leona Riders, had as winners, (1) Sunwin and Shasta Gold, ridden by Edgar Fowler and Margaret Phelps; (2) Colty and Frosty, Leonard and Lynda Landsborough; (3) Captain Kidd and Mate, Tedda Beyler and Elsie Mesquita; (4) Bengal Tiger and Mate, Corrine Smith, and (5) Burma Road and Mate, Sylvia King.

Granat Brothers, jewelers, presented the trophy for the no girth class with winners including Sparky, with Bill Barnard up; Bad Penny, Barbara Alberts; Colty, Leonard Landsborough; Tarda, Beryl Johnston; Shasta Gold, Don Phelps.

Green riders class resulted in the following: (1) Shasta Gold, Don Phelps; (2) Rock 'N' Rye, Edgar Fowler; (3) Sir John Edwin, Nancy Danielson. Trophy for this event was donated by the Olsen-Nolte Saddle shop.

Afternoon Show

The afternoon show opened with the Open Jumpers class, prize winners being: (1) Grasshopper, Lee Fowler; (2) Captain Kidd, Tedda Beyler; (3) Rock 'N' Rye, Margaret Phelps, and (4) Burma Road, Sylvia King. Mr. and Mrs. George Walling were donors of the trophy.

In the Leona three-phase, bareback, Miss Graham's Riding stable presented the trophy, winners being: (1) Rock 'N' Rye, Edgar Fowler; (2) Stormy, Tedda Beyler; (3) Tarda, Beryl Johnston; (4) Bengal Tiger, Corrine Smith, and (5) Burma Road, Sylvia King.

Stock horses class featured a trophy by Bentley & Silva Saddle shop. Winners were: (1) Colty, Leonard Landsborough; (2) Sparky, Bill Bernard; (3) Mr. Socks, Beryl Johnston; (4) Randy, Dorothy Kachler, and (5) Pretzel, Charles Broadus.

Feature Event

George Walling interspersed the arranged class program with an exhibition hackney pony featuring Lucifer's Lassie.

The obstacle trail class followed with the trophy donated by Shea & Poston and the Landsborough Hay company. Winners were:

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Upson Downs at Cressmount

Prior to the war rides were exchanged between Cressmount riders and other riding clubs. Recent contact with Gene Walker, member of the Stirrup club, St. Francis Riding school, has disclosed that the group is very anxious to resume the exchange rides. In an effort to bring this about Miss Cornelia Cress and Mary Lou Hutton were guests at a recent dinner given by the Stirrup club representatives. Included were Ferard Leicester, president; Margaret Scott, secretary; Bernice Gottschalk, Dr. Katherine Leicester, Juanita Gray, Gene Walker, Evelyn Steward and Charles Borgel.

Plans have been formulated so that all shows, whether held in San Francisco or at Cressmount, will follow the same pattern. Each class will be made up of an equal number of riders from each group, riders to draw for horses. Individual and team points will be scored, and ribbons and trophies will be awarded with a special trophy for the winning team. Following the show riders will meet for refreshments and sociability.

Under the "exchange ride plan," the first Horse Show will be at Cressmount, Sunday, October 17 at 2:00 p.m. Admission to the show will be 50 cents and the program will consist of the following classes: Jumpers — open to all; Horsemanship — riders 13 and under; Musical Kegs — riders 14 to 17; Pot Luck Pairs — 18 and over; Leading in Pairs — a combined class with Cressmount riders leading the guests' horses and to be judged as a pair; Gentlemen Only — a simple event of the rough and entertaining type.

The exchange ride with St. Francis Riding club acting as hosts will be December 4.

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Sunday, Aug. 8, Major Ted Dannemiller of Fort Knox, Kentucky, was honored guest at a loop ride, twenty riders from Cressmount making up the party. Later a barbecue supper was served in the stable courtyard.

Rum Punch, the handsome big bay gelding, won third places in the following classes at the Gymkhana club show at San Mateo: Triple Bar, F. E. I. Olympic Course, Touch and Out, and Green Jumpers. Duffle Bag placed fourth in Green Jumpers.

Evelyn Kinley, former Cressmount rider now attending Davis College of Agriculture, placed 4th with Rolling Stone in the Time Jumper Class, and third in Amateur Jumpers on Desperado. Both horses are owned by Bill Nissen. It was nice to see Evie riding in shows again.

Barbara Bechtel placed fourth with Sun Trader in Hunters Cross Country and second in Middle Weight Hunters.

Sandra Logue, former Cressmount rider, placed in the following classes: First in Seat and Hands with Toy Storm, fourth in Touch and Out, second in Amateur Jumpers, fourth on Snow Storm and second on Triple Diamond in Hunter Hacks.

Cressmounters seen at the show were: John and Phyllis Thiel, Cornelia Cress, Juanita Gray, Mary Gale, Win Johnson, Barbara Bechtel, Sally Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mulford, Mr. and Mrs. Don Allen, Bob McCarty, Lorraine Lacerda, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Logue, Mollie Mulford, and Jerry Hansen.

The Bridoons

The Bridoons, newest riding group at Cressmount, has been working on intricate drill patterns under the direction of Mr. Van Den Berg. To date the riders voted "Threading the Needle" a unanimous favorite.

Following rides on Tuesday nights, the Bridoons gather in the club house for food and a social hour. Recently colored motion pictures taken by Bob and Erna Van Den Berg were shown which featured many beautiful shots of horses and riders at the Hunniwell Ranch in Mono county, as well as local scenes.

Many of the riders just can't get enough of their favorite sport and are going to various guest ranches for vacations. President Frieda Renner has just returned from a trip to Jackson's Hole, Wyo.; Bob and Erna Van Den Berg reported a marvelous time in Yellowstone National park, Margaret Johnson was another guest at the Hunniwell Ranch with Hazel Roberts and Dorothea Wolbold. Catherine Choy has been on vacation and will resume riding this Fall. Despite the fact that their number has been depleted during vacation the Bridooners remaining in town have been busy on Tuesday nights.

Incidentally, the Bridoons are all M.H.A. members. For further information see the "Introducing New Members" column.

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With the Boots and Jeans

Several members of the Boots and Jeans club enjoyed an evening at Plands in San Lorenzo Village on July 22. They were guests of The Castro Valley Horsemen, and were entertained by Dusty Dale and The Trail Blazers.

The August business meeting was held at President Harold Cummings' home. Three new members, Julie Hoey and Alice and Al Peterson were voted in, leaving two persons on the waiting list.

The riding group is seen working hard every Thursday night in Miss Graham's ring.

Several of our members were present at the Wildwood Riding Club dance, held at the Round-Up August 2, and others reported a good time at the dance held August 18.

At the Oakland Stable

Bob Lorimer has brought his three-year-old colt in from pasture and is beginning to school him in the ways of a saddle horse. This colt is by a thoroughbred stallion and is a bright bay named Shawnee.

James Ormond has been riding Bob's beautiful thoroughbred Crusader and taking him over the jumps.

At the Rancho Bonita

We have a new boarder at Rancho Bonita, a very pretty Arabian filly. A dark chestnut, she belongs to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Morlatt. Her name is Coquette, and at present she is learning a few things about behavior from Ivan Studley.

Chabot, our little fawn is no longer "little". He is growing like a weed under the careful eye of Buck Kyle. Although Chabot has lost his spots, his spikes or horns, or whatever they are called, are making themselves evident. He loves attention and follows Buck like a puppy, and is always happiest when he has visitors admiring him.

Ethel Colbert has made some very good looking name plates for everyone. They are blue and gold and add much to the barn's appearance. Mrs. Colbert is a very proficient harness mender too. In fact her talents are many and varied and the Rancho Bonita group is fortunate to have her with them.

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With the Lari-ettes

Despite vacations and many members being out of town during the past month the Lari-ettes held a big bean feed at the clubhouse on July 29 for members and their escorts. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grondona, Mr. and Mrs. George O'Brien and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Alberts and daughter, Barbara. Gus and Elsa Himmelman were in charge of the sumptuous meal.

Later the Corvis and the Weisgerbers showed colored movies taken of the many parades in which the Lari-ettes have participated, and Alice Merritt showed movies of the St. Patrick's day parade in San Francisco.

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Balance July 15, 1948	\$ 236.25
RECEIPTS:	
Returns from ticket books	\$ 29.00
Program Advertising	457.00
Returned beverage bottles	13.30
Total Receipts July 15, 1948 to August 15, 1948	\$ 499.30
	\$ 735.53
EXPENSES:	
Advertising Commissions	\$ 29.75
Judges	50.00
Printing	9.37
Stabling	7.50
U. S. Flag and Bear Flag	71.07
Horse Show Party for those who DONATED their services	125.00
Total Expenses July 15, 1948 to August 15, 1948	\$ 292.69
Profit to date on 5th and 6th Annual Horse Show	\$ 442.84
Balance from 1947 Horse Show	854.89
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At the Private Stables

The Charles Logues have recently moved into their country home, a large and spacious house, resembling a Swiss chalet. Part of the grounds are beautifully landscaped, while the rest of the property will be occupied by the stable and paddocks. The finishing touches are being applied in spare moments to remodeling the stable. At present the stable contains three box stalls which are "home" to Sandra's blue ribbon winning open jumper, Toy Storm, her green jumper, Snow Storm, and Champ, the registered saddlebred colt.

The Donald Allens recently completed a very lovely California ranch house, surrounded by three acres of trees and flowers. The stable is unfinished so far, but is in the shape of the familiar letter "L" featuring four spacious box stalls with the tack room in the center. The tack room will be papered with hunting scenes. This will be a suitable home for Sally's two mares, Cotillion Favor, registered chestnut saddlebred, and Lady Weston, registered bay thoroughbred model hunter. The stables will also have separate paddocks, a riding ring and a small hunting course.

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(1) Colty, Leonard Landsborough; (2) Bad Penny, Barbara Alberts; (3) Frosty, Lynda Landsborough; (4) Stormy, Tedda Beyler, and (5) Bags, Opal Brown.

Lloyd Mulford's Men's store donated the trophy for the Leona three-phase, English class with winners being: (1) Stormy, Tedda Beyler; (2) Rock 'N' Rye, Edgar Fowler; (3) Tarda, Beryl Johnston; (4) Colty, Leonard Landsborough; (5) Bengal Tiger, Corrine Smith.

Ride and Drive Class

In the ride and drive class, with the trophy the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Don Marquis, winners were: (1) Bengal Tiger, Corinne Smith; (2) Juanita's Rhythm, Lew Helms, and (3) Pandora's Supreme, J. Hampton Ford.

The parade horses class resulted in the following: (1) Sweetheart, Opal Brown; (2) Conchita, Peggy Curby; (3) Bengal Tiger, Corinne Smith; (4) Tarda, Beryl Johnston, and (5) Babe, Janet Phillips. Tedda Beyeler donated the trophy.

Finale of the day's program was the free-for-all class with Lee Fowler capturing the honors. Edgar Fowler, riding Rock 'N' Rye, was winner of the three-phase championship and received the trophy donated by Lee Fowler. Leonard Landsborough, on Colty, was adjudged the high score championship rider of the day, the trophy being donated by Furs by Bruce.

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